



## Texas Goat Inventory

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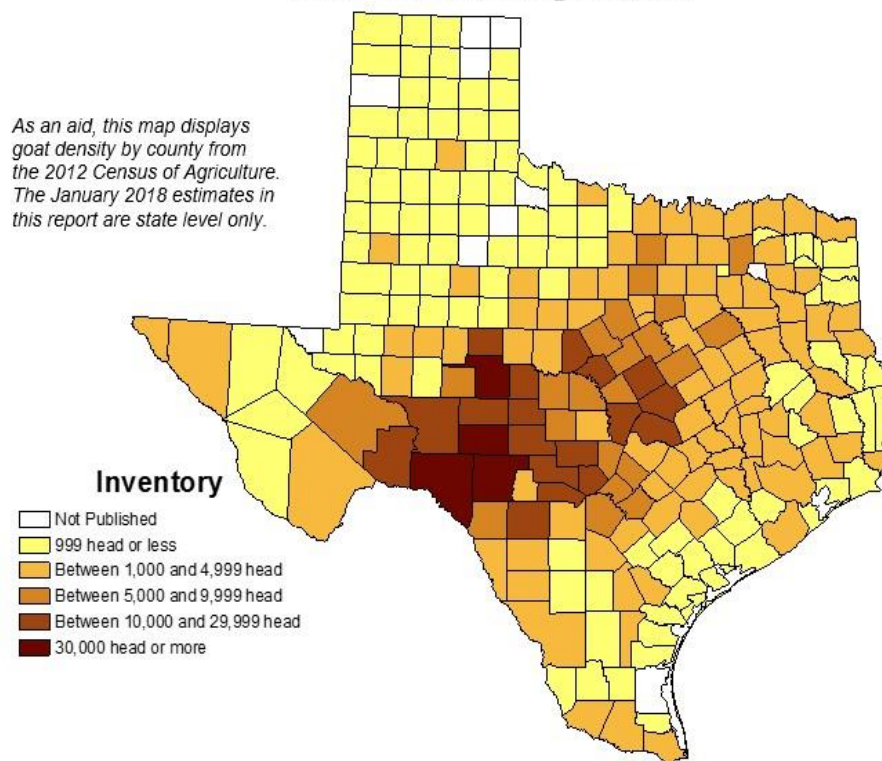
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**Texas Goat Inventory:** The January 1, 2018 all goat inventory in Texas totaled 896 thousand head, slightly above last year. Meat and other goats accounted for 89 percent of all goat inventory with 795 thousand head. The Angora goat inventory decreased 6 percent to 75 thousand head. The inventory of milk goats on January 1, 2018 totaled 26 thousand head, 18 percent above last year.

**Texas Goat Inventory by Type**

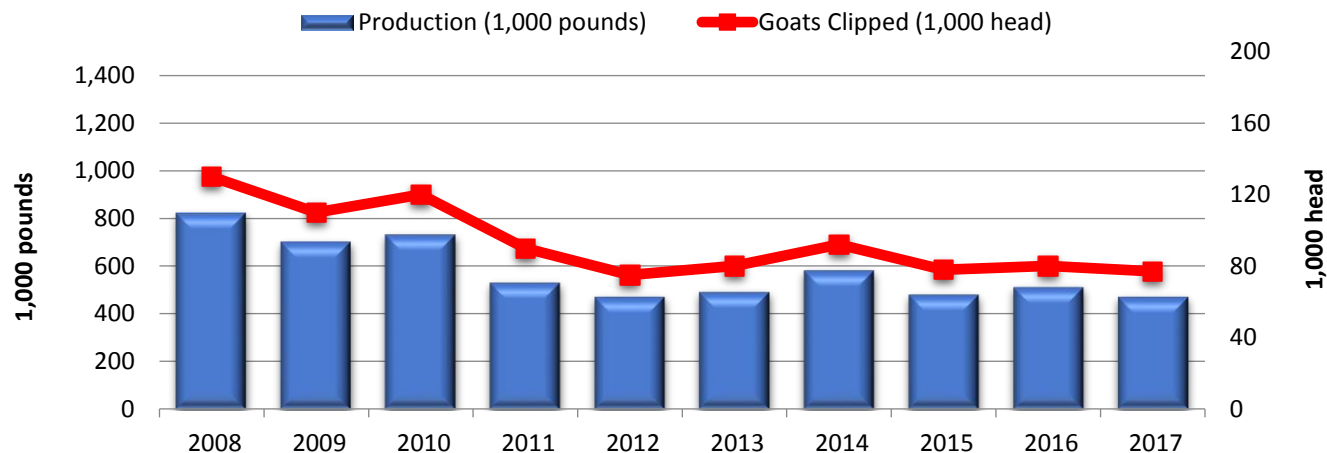
Year	Angora	Milk	Meat and Other	All Goats
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
2014	76	20	810	906
2015	85	23	800	908
2016	78	22	765	865
2017	80	22	790	892
2018	75	26	795	896

**Texas All Goats Inventory by County  
2012 Census of Agriculture**



**Texas Angora Goats and Mohair:** The Angora goat inventory as of January 1, 2018 was 5 thousand head lower than the previous year. During 2017, 77 thousand goats and kids were clipped, 3 thousand head lower than the year before. Mohair production decreased 40 thousand pounds to 470 thousand pounds. The average clip weight for 2017 was 6.1 pounds. The price per pound of mohair increased 0.60 in 2017 to \$6.60. This brought the total value of the state's mohair production to 3.10 million dollars for 2017, 42 thousand dollars higher than 2016.

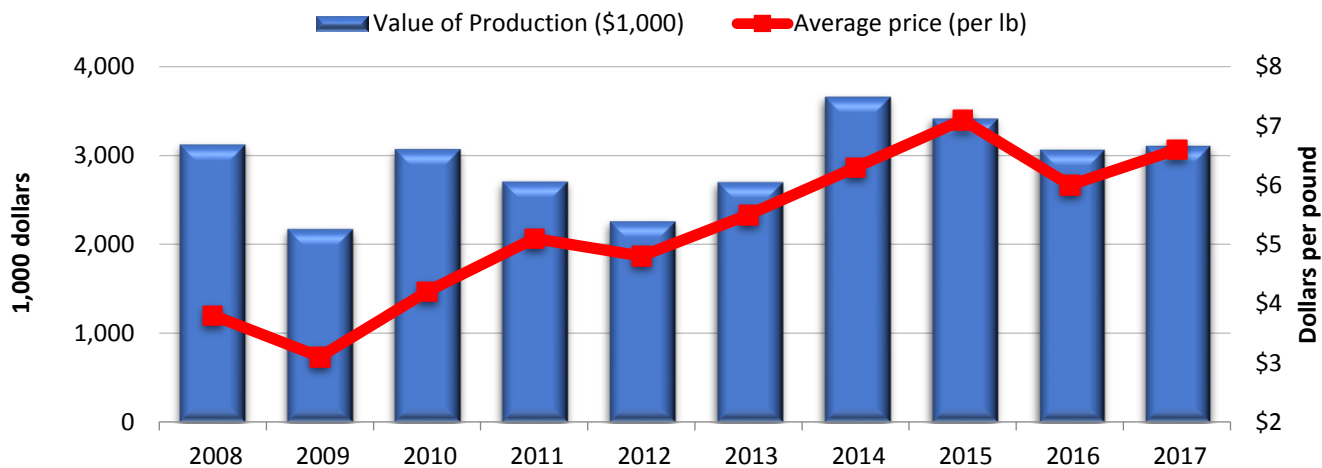
**Texas Mohair Production and Goats Clipped**



**Texas Mohair Production, Price, and Value**

Year	Goats clipped	Average clip per goat	Production	Price per pound	Value
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>1,000 pounds</i>	<i>dollars</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>
2008	130	6.3	820	3.80	3,116
2009	110	6.4	700	3.10	2,170
2010	120	6.1	730	4.20	3,066
2011	90	5.9	530	5.10	2,703
2012	75	6.3	470	4.80	2,256
2013	80	6.1	490	5.50	2,695
2014	92	6.3	580	6.30	3,654
2015	78	6.2	480	7.10	3,408
2016	80	6.4	510	6.00	3,060
2017	77	6.1	470	6.60	3,102

**Texas Mohair Price and Value of Production**



**U.S. Highlights:** All goat inventory in the United States on January 1, 2018 totaled 2.62 million head. Breeding goat inventory totaled 2.16 million head and market goats totaled 459 thousand head. On January 1, 2018, milk goats totaled 380 thousand head, Angora goats totaled 142 thousand head and meat and other goats totaled 2.10 million head. The 2017 kid crop was 1.64 million head for all goats.

Mohair production during 2017 totaled 725 thousand pounds. Goats and kids clipped, at 133 thousand head, were down 6 percent from 2016. Average weight per clip at 5.5 pounds, was down 4 percent from 2016. Value of mohair production was 3.62 million, 1 percent below 2016.

**United States Goat Inventory by Class**

Item	2017	2018	Percent of Previous Year
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>percent</i>
All goats and kids .....	2,640	2,620	99
All breeding goats .....	2,171	2,161	100
Replacement kids - under one year .....	393	394	100
Does - one year and older .....	1,614	1,604	99
Bucks - one year and older .....	164	163	99
All market goats and kids .....	469	459	98
Kid crop <sup>1</sup> .....	1,641	1,637	100

<sup>1</sup> Kid crop refers to calves born during the previous year.

**United States Goat Inventory by Type**

Year	Angora	Milk	Meat and Other
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
2017	152	373	2,115
2018	142	380	2,098

**United States Mohair Production, Price, and Value**

Year	Goats Clipped	Average Clip per Goat	Production	Price per Pound	Value
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>pounds</i>	<i>1,000 pounds</i>	<i>dollars</i>	<i>1,000 dollars</i>
2016	141	5.7	800	4.56	3,650
2017	133	5.5	725	5.00	3,622

A random sample of U.S. producers was surveyed to provide data for these estimates. Survey procedures ensured that all sheep and goat producers, regardless of size, had a chance to be included in the survey. Large producers were sampled more heavily than small operations. About 21,800 operators were contacted during the first half of January by mail, telephone and face-to-face personal interview and 69 percent of the reports were usable. Regardless of when operators responded, they were asked to report inventories as of January 1.

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